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SUBJECT: WASHINGTON ENERGY CONFERENCE; MIDDLE EAST CONSULTATIONS WITH  
NON-NINE NATO ALLIES

REF: A) USNATO 483; B) STATE 017688

1. CANADIAN DELEGATION HAS INFORMED MISSION THAT OTTAWA MEA  
NOTED WITH INTEREST THAT PART OF SECRETARY'S JANUARY 25 BRIEFING  
OF NATO AMBASSADORS WHEREIN SECRETARY SAID WASHINGTON ENERGY  
CONFERENCE WOULD PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY FOR U.S. AND EC-9 TO  
CONSULT ON MIDDLE EAST ISSUES (REF B). OTTAWA REPORTEDLY ALSO  
NOTED WITH APPROVAL CANADIAN PERMREP'S (MENZIES) PERSONNAL  
INTERVENTION AT JANUARY 30 NAC WHERE IN MENZIES SPOKE UP FOR  
MIDDLE EAST CONSULTATIONS TAKING PLACE AMONG 15 RATHER THAN  
BILATERALLY BETWEEN THE U.S. AND THE EC-9 (PARA 10 REF A).

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2. CANADIAN DELEGATION SPECIFICALLY ASKED MISSION TO REPORT  
OTTAWA'S CONCERN THAT THE MIDDLE EAST CONSULTATIONS TO WHICH  
SECRETARY KISSINGER REFERRED SHOULD NOT EXCLUDE NON-EC-9 NATO  
ALLIES.

3. COMMENT: MISSION BELIEVES CANADIANS UNDERSTAND THAT IF NINE CHOOSE TO ACT IN CONCERT SOME U.S. CONSULTATIONS WILL BE DIRECTLY AND EXCLUSIVELY WITH SPOKESMAN FOR THE NINE. WE BELIEVE CANADIANS' CONCERN IS THAT IN SUCH EVENT NON-NINE ALLIES INTERESTS BE PROTECTED AND THAT INFORMATION THE U.S. GIVES TO SOME ALLIES BE SHARED WITH ALL. WE BELIEVE CANADIANS ALSO RECOGNIZE THERE ARE TWO SIDES TO THIS COIN AND SUSPECT THEY ARE ALSO MAKING REPRESENTATIONS TO THE NINE THAT CANADA AND THE FLANKS NOT BE EXCLUDED FROM MIDDLE EAST CONSULTATIONS.  
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